

Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Inspections

Date: May 6, 2003

To: Health and Human Services

Referral to: Ways and Means Committee

Subject: Request for authorization to collaborate with Hennepin County in applying for a Lead Hazard Control grant to be awarded by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

Recommendation

We respectfully request that your Committee authorize the proper city officials to collaborate as a sub-grantee with Hennepin County in submission of a grant request to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for up to \$3,000,000 in funds to be awarded for lead hazard assessment and control activities to be conducted primarily within the City of Minneapolis.

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Presenter in Committee: Brian Olson, Bill Anderson
Financial Impact (Check those that apply)
No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.
Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
Action requires use of contingency or reserves
XXX Other financial impact (Explain): Action is within grant budget
Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the
Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information

Dear Council Members:

In April of this year, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced their intention of awarding grants of up to \$3,000,000 to local communities for lead hazard assessment and control activities in dwellings occupied by low-income families affected by lead hazards and lead poisoning. Funds will provide for assessment and remediation of environmental

lead hazards in dwellings. The City of Minneapolis is unable to apply for this round of grants, but can participate as a sub-grantee in a Hennepin County application. HUD staff have encouraged the city and county to collaborate in applying for these funds. We request that the appropriate officials be authorized to participate with Hennepin County as a sub-grantee in submission of this grant request.